

## **Division for Women Grants**

### STOP Violence Against Women Grant

The STOP Violence Against Women Grant provides systematic and sustained focus on permanent systems change within our criminal justice system, while simultaneously developing a comprehensive network of domestic violence and sexual assault victim service advocates and programs throughout Arizona's communities. The grant mandates collaboration between these systems and specifically targets law enforcement, prosecution, courts, and victim service providers to address a coordinated community response as a solution to non-profit agencies and units of local government to develop:

- Specialized Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault Training;
- Development and support of specialized law enforcement/prosecution units;
- Development of police and prosecution policies, protocols;
- Data collection and communication systems linking police, prosecutors, and the courts;
- Strengthening of domestic violence and sexual assault victim service programs in rural or under-served areas;
  - Strengthening of programs specifically addressing stalking;
  - Developing and enhancing programs addressing the special needs of Indian Tribes in dealing with violent crimes against women.
  - Supporting of statewide, multidisciplinary efforts, to coordinate the response to violent crimes against women, including crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence.
  - Training of sexual assault forensic medical personnel examiners in the collection and preservation of evidence, analysis, prevention and providing expert testimony and treatment of trauma related to sexual assault.
  - Developing and strengthening programs addressing the needs of older and disabled women who are victims of domestic violence or sexual assault.
  - Providing assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in immigration matters.

Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Justice

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### Grants to Encourage Arrest

The Grants to Encourage Arrest funds an innovative pilot program, identifying first-time domestic violence offenders who are at high risk for re-offending and placing them on intensive probation. The project is a collaborative effort between the Governor's Office, City of Phoenix Prosecutor's Office and Municipal Courts, Maricopa County Adult Probation, the Sojourner Center, and the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence. The money will also fund offender treatment programs and programs to help victims of domestic violence navigate the legal system.

Source of funds: Department of Justice

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### Governor's Innovative Prevention Grant

The Governor's Innovative Prevention Grant supports proven strategies and creative ideas for the prevention of family violence with a specific focus on children. Prevention activities should decrease the risk factors and increase protective factors for domestic violence victims, families, and communities. The following activities are eligible for funding:

- Domestic violence education and training;
- Public awareness programs;
- Counseling for victims and children;
- Job readiness training for victims; and
- Program planning.

Source of Funds: Blended federal and state dollars

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### Children's Justice Act Grant Program

Funds to develop, establish and operate programs designed to improve the:

- Handling of child abuse cases, particularly cases of child sexual abuse and exploitation, to limit additional trauma to the child victim;
- Handling of cases of suspected child abuse or neglect-related fatalities; and
- Investigation and prosecution of cases of child abuse, particularly child sexual abuse and exploitation.

Source of Funds: Dept of Health & Human Services

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### Rural Domestic Violence and Child Victimization Grant Program

Funds the coordination of three multidisciplinary county battered immigrant women teams charged with the education and training of professionals, surveying existing culturally specific programs and the identification of service gaps, and devising community awareness plans through partnerships with nonprofit domestic violence victim services programs, and other community stakeholders. Program activities take place in three Arizona counties that share a border with Mexico - Pima, Santa Cruz, and Cochise. An application has been submitted to renew funding for those three counties and expand the program to four more Southern Arizona counties for a total of seven counties.

Source of funds: Department of Justice

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